WAIVERS OF STATE PLAN PROVISIONS

State: WASHINGTON
Type of Waiver
1115 - Research & Demonstration Projects 1915(b)(1) - Case Management System 1915(b)(2) - Locality as a Central Brokerx_ 1915(b)(3) - Sharing of Cost Savings (through:) Additional Services
Elimination of Copayments x_ 1915(b)(4) - Restriction of Freedom of Choice 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver
Title of Waiver and Brief Description: Integrated Community Mental Health Program
This waiver provides medically necessary public community mental health services to Medicaid enrolled individuals through a managed care prepaid inpatient health plan. This service is provided though the fourteen Regional Support Networks (RSN) and is available statewide. All Medicaid enrolled persons have mandatory enrollment in the RSN for their mental health services. Clients have the right to choose their mental health care provider. Services provided include community outpatient and community psychiatric inpatient services
The capitated managed mental health system gives the RSN the ability to design an integrated system of mental health care and, as necessary, subcontract with a network of Community Mental Health Agencies (CMHAs) capable of providing quality service delivery which is age and culturally competent. The mental health services covered under the waiver are the full range of community mental health rehabilitation services offered under the Medicaid State Plan. These mental health services stress ongoing community support to provide the enrollee with tailored services, responsive to their individualized needs. It is the State's intention to manage the costs of the community program while continuing to target service to the most disabled enrollees with well-coordinated services. It is also the State's and the RSN's intention to utilize the managed care concept to provide persons with mental health issues the services that they need to help them become reintegrated or recovered community members. The most flexible service delivery model available can help to accomplish this.
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Specific State Plan Provisions Waived and Corresponding Plan Section(s): Comparability: 1902(a)(10)(B) Statewideness: 1902 (a)(1) Freedom of Choice: 1902(a)(23) Services: Eligibility: Reimbursement Provisions (if different from approved State Plan Methodology): The RSNs are paid an actuarially sound per member per month prepaid capitated rate. They
operate under a partial risk contract.

Signature of State Medicaid Director